

REMARKS

Upon entry of the amendments herein, claims 2 – 8, 10 – 18 and 21 remain pending in the application. In particular, Applicants have amended claims 2, 4 – 7, 9 – 10, 13 – 15 and 18, and have canceled claims 1, 9, 19 and 20 without prejudice, waiver, or disclaimer. Applicants have canceled claims 1, 9, 19 and 20 to facilitate early allowance and issuance of other claims in the present application. Applicants reserve the right to pursue the subject matter of these claims in a continuing application, if Applicants so choose, and do not intend to dedicate the canceled subject matter to the public. Applicants believe that the amendments add no new matter to the application. Accordingly, favorable consideration and allowance of the present application are hereby courteously requested. In this regard, a telephonic conference to expedite the examination of this matter is respectfully requested. The Examiner is invited to call, at his/her earliest convenience, the undersigned attorney at (770) 933-9500.

Respectfully submitted,



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